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September 14, 2005

Joseph Levay, Chief Geologist World Minerals, Inc. P.O. Box 287 1501 6<sup>th</sup> Street La Grande, Oregon 97850

Subject:

Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention, Small Mining Operations, World

Minerals, Inc., Black Springs, ML 41981 Mine, S/027/089, Millard County,

<u>Utah</u>

Dear Mr. Levay:

Thank you for your amended Notice of Intention and map, received by the Division on August 24, 2005. The amendment for the proposed exploration drilling plan on your Black Springs Mine, located in Section 2, T24S, R9W, SLBM, is considered complete and no additional information is required. You may now commence with your amended plan as outlined provided you have received written acceptance from SITLA.

The site was initially bonded for five acres of disturbance (\$17,000), in anticipation of additional activities at the site. The area of the pit disturbance proposed and approved on the initial SMO permit was 3.9 acres. This drilling program will expand the disturbance an additional .27 acres for a total disturbance at the site of 4.19 acres. Because the initial bonding was placed in anticipation of this additional activity and this drilling program will take place within the five acre area presently covered by your small mine permit, no additional surety will be required for this exploration project.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mine Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: John Blake, SITLA

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